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Dear Gaddis,

I'm delighted and grateful that you've agreed to serve as a consultant for our new Historical Review Program.

I'll enclose a copy of a preliminary draft of the report the DCI is to submit to four congressional committees by 1 June 1985. I hope this will give you the general picture of what we are undertaking, and of how our effort has come about. At the meetings 18-19 March we'll want your comments and suggestions on the draft, and we also hope that the five consultants can give us some kind of brief joint report before you leave.

In Appendix B of the draft report you'll find the vita I prepared for you; I would be glad to make any corrections or additions before you arrive.

I can give you the general schedule for the 18-19 March meetings, which will be at CIA Headquarters in Langley. On Monday 18 March we'll start at 10:30 a.m., break at noon for lunch with Mr. Casey in his private dining room, then meet in an afternoon session from 1:30 to 5 p.m. The Monday sessions will be mainly briefings by the various people responsible for the Historical Review Program. Tuesday morning we'll meet from 9:30 a.m. till noon; this session will left open for the consultants to schedule, either to call back people you've heard Monday, or otherwise to get the information you want. There will be a working lunch at noon in the Executive Dining Room, and the final session will begin at 1:30 p.m. At this final session we'll provide secretarial support, so that the five of you can prepare whatever kind of joint report on our program and progress you think suitable.

After the meetings we'll revise the DCI's draft report in light of the discussion and the consultants' report. We'll send you this revised draft for comment by about 12 April. Our schedule calls for us to submit the report for the DCI's signature by 10 May; the report will go to the four congressional committees before 1 June.

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A couple of administrative matters: The discussions will all be unclassified, so that no security clearances will be needed. We do, however, need your social security number for the honoraria and expense payments. We'll have a $400 honorarium check for you Tuesday afternoon; we can also reimburse you then in cash for your expenses. You'll be reimbursed your actual expenses, and all we need is a list of them, along with receipts for larger items such as air fare and hotel (but not for meals).

I'll give you a call next week about all these arrangements; in the meantime feel free to call me anytime either here [redacted] or at home [redacted] I very much look forward to seeing you the 18th.

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Sincerely,

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J. Kenneth McDonald
Chief Historian

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